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AMERICAN PILLAR ROSE



Improved Strains of the Famous

Meehans' Mallow Marvels

The most noted plant creation of the century. A dream of twenty-eight years—realized in 1907. Millions of plants produced before a few thousands of selected forms and colors could be placed on sale as *real marvels*.

From coast to coast and from Florida to Canada thousands of people have planted Meehans' Mallow Marvels.

They may be used in many positions. The circular bed where you have always had Scarlet Sage or Cannas, the perennial or shrub border, on the edge of a woodland, to screen a fence or low building; in fact, in any position requiring bushes five to six feet high. Anyone can be successful with them in regular, good garden soil.

“Meehans' Mallow Marvels certainly are Wonders.”—So writes an enthusiastic customer from Buffalo, N. Y.

The huge blossoms, from 6 to over 10 inches in diameter, come in three colors—glorious shades of red, soft shades of pink, and white

Each flower has its individual beauty—all are strikingly beautiful. The display only begins in July, often the flowers continuing to come until frost, giving six to eight weeks of brilliant display. The foliage is remarkably attractive and produces a good effect before the flowers appear. The plants develop each season to good sized bushes five to eight feet high, dying to the ground in late autumn. From Canada we have had reports declaring they have succeeded after experiencing exposure several degrees below zero.

2-Year Roots		3-Year Roots			
Each	Per 10	Each	Per 10		
PINK MARVEL . . \$.50 . .	\$4.00	\$.75 . .	\$6.00	25 two-year roots, in assortment, our selection, including all colors	\$ 8.50
WHITE MARVEL . .	.50 . . 4.00	.75 . .	6.00	25 three-year roots, in assortment, our selection, including all colors	\$13.75
RED MARVEL . .	.75 . . 6.00	1.00 . .	8.00		

Meehans' Specialty Plant Book

New and Old Favorite Magnolias

EXTRAORDINARY plants of the most interesting varieties of the Magnolia. Our nurseries and methods have been particularly suited to the production of Magnolias, and always headquarters for the best.

THE NEWEST MAGNOLIA (*Magnolia Soulanguiana nigra*)

The ordinary Soulanguiana is the one most commonly seen, with flowers white, suffused with carmine. Nigra is a garnet colored variety of a particularly pleasing hue, the inside of the petals being a lighter shade than the outside. Most persons



SWEET BAY MAGNOLIA

like the open flaring petal. Supply of plants is limited. Good, clean plants, roots balled and burlapped:
3 to 4 feet \$3.00 each

Wonderful Specimens of YULAN MAGNOLIA (*Magnolia conspicua*—Purest White)

This is the Queen of Magnolias, and the earliest to flower save for the dwarf Stellata. It is too well known and loved to require description. It is the rare opportunity to secure some wonderful specimens that for quality and size could not be duplicated in any nursery. Rather unusual in young plants, these are set with flower buds for this spring. Each plant dug with ball and burlapped. *Fine specimens.*
6 to 8 feet, \$4.00 each | 10 to 12 feet, \$ 7.50 each
8 to 10 feet, 5.00 each | 12 to 14 feet, 10.00 each

Use this Bush-Magnolia in Every Shrubbery Planting

For foliage effect in addition to flowers, *Magnolia purpurea* is one of the *best shrubs* you can use. Take the suggestion; you won't regret it. Approximate height at maturity is five or six feet, and the habit is without any trace of the tree—*densely bushy*. Flowers are numerous, very rich purple shade, and consecutively appear for at least six weeks. Use a number in your shrub beds. *Very bushy* specimens—fine roots.
2 to 2½ feet . . . \$1.50 each . . . five for \$ 5.00
2½ to 3 feet . . . 1.75 each . . . five for 7.50
3½ to 4 feet . . . 2.75 each . . . five for 10.00
4 to 5 feet . . . 3.50 each . . . five for 12 50

THE FRAGRANT SWEET BAY (*Magnolia glauca*)

Who is not familiar with the little bunches of cream white flower buds, of exquisite fragrance, nestling among long green leaves found in many public market places in early summer? Why not have a plant and flowers of your own? Enjoy the clean cut foliage, gray-green beneath, evergreen in the South. If you have a piece of wet ground, though not essential to success, it will grow a luxuriant plant. That it does revel in moist ground is evidenced by its popular name, Swamp Magnolia. An American plant, found wild along the entire Atlantic Coast, much sought out and admired, yet it is rare on the home grounds and in nurseries. Meehans' have half the stock that is grown in all nurseries—because they don't follow lines of least resistance, but determinedly grow the things that are best and really wanted. We have plants just in their nursery prime—many are in flower bud. Plant them in spring only.
2 to 3 feet . . . \$1.50 each . . . five for \$ 5.00
3 to 4 feet . . . 2.50 each . . . five for 10.00
4 to 5 feet . . . 3.50 each . . . five for 15.00
5 to 6 feet . . . 4.00 each

Most Unique of All Ornamental Plants CORK-WINGED SPINDLE TREE (*Euonymus alatus*)

So full of individuality this odd and attractive shrub stands prominent among all other hardy plants.
Teeming with Oriental interest, native of Southern Asia, no Japanese-American garden is complete without it.
A plant with no incongruous features, and harmonizes readily anywhere. Transplants with ease, even in late season, and thrives in rather light, poor soil.
The habit of growth is full and shrub-like, developing moderately in handsome proportions to a maximum height of six or eight feet.
What gorgeous red foliage in autumn! And the lovely red berries! But at all times there is interest of some sort, for the foliage is neat, and there is besides all those curious thin blades of cork-like wings edged in four ridges along each

branch and twig. The green stems contrast deeply with the brown cork.
Spindle Tree is a name applied to various European *Euonymus* because of the use of the hard-grained wood for spindles, pins and skewers.
Our stock of home-grown plants we are now marketing with reluctance, as the plants are worth more to us than their present size will bring, but the bargain is yours. The plants are prime, twice-transplanted and vigorous. Cannot fail to please.
Can be used in groups and masses or singly.
Each Lots of 10
1½ to 2 feet \$0.75 \$ 5.00
2 to 3 feet 1.50 8.00
3 to 4 feet 2.00 9.00
4 to 5 feet 2.50



Rose American Pillar

A WONDERFULLY beautiful climbing rose, well deserving its great name.

We can't say too much in its favor, yet we lack words to express how highly we regard it.

It is vigorous and free-flowering. The large flowers are a striking and distinct carmine color. Flowers followed by ornamental berries.

Include it in your list without fail.

Our large, pot-grown stock, ready after April 15th, is the best.

50 cents each

\$4.00 per ten, \$35.00 per hundred

Abelia grandiflora

HOW can we restrain our enthusiasm over this most lovely shrub that our description may *ring true!* That it deserves more than we dare say is certain.

Mere mention of the name calls up a mental picture of that half-dozen plants against the porch base of a house on Pelham Road—a most decorative and perpetually charming effect; or of the constant “companionship” with the trial plants in our nurseries for nearly ten years; or again, of the wonderful effect of a couple of acres of these plants, the shining leaves glistening in the sunlight.

A plant with characteristics every one is continuously seeking—namely, free-flowering, attractive foliage, and graceful, artistic growth of medium size.

It belongs to the Honeysuckle family, but has no marked resemblance, except in a refinement of similar characteristics. The flowers are white, slightly tinged, sometimes quite fragrant, in terminal clusters, and always in evidence *from June to November*. These are daintily set off by the luxuriant growth and rich foliage.

The leaves are evergreen in the South (where it is especially at home), while northward the winter foliage is correspondingly less. In the far north it is not hardy. About Philadelphia the tops are frequently winter-killed, but never the roots, and this has seemed good rather than harmful—the enforced pruning keeps the plant low and gracefully bushy.

An indispensable plant to give artistic touch to a planting, as against house and porch foundations, rustic garden structures, fences, etc.; or plant it in masses in shrubbery borders, in beds, groups, or as a solitary specimen.

It thrives in almost any kind of soil, and is quite adaptable to rather poor, light places, and in partial shade.

OUR NURSERY STOCK

The plants are perfect, full of vigor, and will make splendid growth and flower freely the first year. The larger sizes are dug with balls of earth to insure ease of transplanting. Orders must be placed early.

	Each	Lots of 10	Lots of 25
1½ to 2 feet	\$.75 . .	\$ 6.00 . .	\$12.50
2 to 3 feet, with ball . . .	1.00 . .	8.00 . .	15.00
3 to 4 ft., specimens with ball	2.50 . .	20.00 . .	43.75



A nursery row of the Anchusa Dropmore—a new perennial which promises to be as popular as Meehans' Mallow Marvels.

The Gentian-Blue DROPMORE ANCHUSA

A Striking Color in Perennials

IF ever the Larkspur had a rival it is in this glorious Anchusa. It is a new and most worthy perennial deserving of a place in your garden no matter how small it may be. Just look at the superb plants illustrated. Note the vigor of the plant.

The strong stems grow 3 to 4 feet high and are well covered with the single flowers of a most striking gentian-blue or light indigo. In flower you would never pass the plant without comment. Excellent for cutting.

Mass a group in your shrub or perennial border. It grows in any good garden soil and appears to be reliably hardy. These vigorous plants of ours will please you. Order *at once*.

**Strong, flowering-size plants, 25c each.
10 for \$2.00, 25 for \$3.75.**



The foliage to the left is Mahonia Aquifolium which is not always as persistent as the Japanese form on the right—Mahonia Japonica. The rich fall foliage of Aquifolium is one of its great merits.

A USEFUL EVERGREEN FLOWERING SHRUB

For positions difficult to fill, as semi-shaded places, poor soil, dry banks, rockeries and against wall and porch foundations.

HOLLY-LEAVED MAHONIA

(*Mahonia Aquifolium*)

“Useful as well as Ornamental”

NATURE proves herself a real artist, and as well challenges the handicraft of man, for the leaves seem stamped out of living metal, and tinted with wonderful cleverness.

Many times have we been eager to tell everyone what a remarkable little plant this is, but not until now have we had a few thousand plants, enabling us to back it up.

Now we must give vent to our feelings, but just in a few words.

The plant is simply indispensable for uses as suggested in our headlines—and you can use not one, but dozens without overdoing it. Plant them in beds with other evergreens—one man has made a hedge of them.

Growing bushy and approximately two or three feet high, they are valuable for low groups and in bare little corners where some furnishing is needed.

Native of Northwestern States it is perfectly hardy, though to preserve its evergreen leaves it must not be in full sunlight in hard winters.

The foliage passes through a series of changes in color. The fresh young growth is usually the softest imaginable shining green, blending with bronzes. In autumn the tones are settled and as frost comes they darken and are frequently purple-black.

In splendid contrast is the Japanese Mahonia with large, bold “holly leaves” perfectly light green. The growth is more upright and rugged, and the plant grows a little taller. Plant several of these in the background of a group.

Our stock is of fine strong roots, but at times shipped without leaves where necessary for better transportation and successful planting. New leaves come in spring.

Select your positions for them and order now. Our supply may go quickly. Strong roots easily expressed.

	Each	Lots of 10	Per 100
MAHONIA AQUIFOLIUM, 1½ to 2 feet . . .	\$1.00 . . .	\$ 8.00 . . .	\$ 60.00
“ “ 2 to 3 feet . . .	1.50 . . .	12.00 . . .	100.00
MAHONIA JAPONICA, . . 2 to 2½ feet . . .	2.00 . . .	13.00	

A Rare Color in Herbaceous Plants

Senecio pulcher—Beautiful Groundsel

Beautiful rosy purple flowers the size of a silver half dollar on stems springing from a neat tuft of leaves. Stems about 1½ to 2 feet high.

A very rare plant.

25 cents each

\$2.00 per ten, twenty-five for \$3.75

A QUEENLY LAWN TREE

NEW PURPLE WEeping BEECH

Gracefully pendulous branches—not the awkward form—making a large, full tree of handsome proportions.

A canvass of individual opinions several years ago distinguished the common Purple Beech as the handsomest of all large lawn trees.

This *new* form adds marked grace to the old one and fixes its destiny for tremendous popularity.

We have the largest—almost exclusive—stock in this country. Trees several times transplanted.

4 to 5 feet \$3.50 each



The pure white, fuchsia-like flowers of the Japanese Storax, and also an illustration of a specimen in flower. A remarkably valuable flowering shrub.

The Japanese Storax

All credit to the Japs for this most beautiful flowering tree, the Japanese Storax!

MIGHT this beautiful tree-shrub be called the Fuchsia tree, it would carry a fair idea of the attractive resemblance of the fuchsia-like blossoms which come in profusion.

Landscape gardeners fully appreciate the wonderful possibilities of this desirable flowering tree, and that is why it is often to be found in representative collections. However, it is still quite uncommon and deserving of a place on every property.

The clusters of fragrant flowers in June and July are of course the chief attraction of the tree, but its foliage is in a way unusually pretty and neat. It furnishes the plant thoroughly, and, of a lively, green color, sets it off at all periods during the growing season.

The plant likes a deep, rich well-drained soil, and when properly located develops beautifully, succeeding as far north as Massachusetts. You would get a great deal of pleasure from a specimen near your porch. At maturity they seldom exceed 12 to 15 feet. It is a plant that will never disgrace you by a poor appearance.

Let us send you some of our fine plants, none of which are overgrown.

	Each	Lots of 10	Per 25
3 to 4 feet . .	\$1.00 . .	\$ 7.50 . .	\$15.00
4 to 5 feet . .	1.50 . .	12.50 . .	25.00



New Ever-blooming Snowball Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea arborescens grandiflora alba*)

"Hills of Snow" describe as accurately as can be the wonderful heads of pure white flowers and good blooming propensities of this remarkable shrub. It is a shrub for the masses of garden owners. It is useful for a hundred purposes, because of its many excellent and worthy qualities.

In the first place it blooms profusely all summer, just when there is a decided scarcity of shrub flowers.

To fully appreciate these exquisite flowers you should see some in a vase. This is another sterling merit—useful for vase, bouquet and other cutting purposes.

These huge, pure snow-white blooms come in profusion. This, coupled with the ever-attractive foliage, classes this shrub as the very finest introduced for many years. At first we doubted the many good qualities which the introducer claimed for it, but we acknowledge them all, having thoroughly tested the plant. Here is a plant you may use almost anywhere and be well pleased with it. As a single specimen you may know its many possibilities by looking at the illustration.

Interspersed with other shrubs in the border, massed in quantity or used in a porch bed for summer show, in fact, almost anywhere it is most satisfactory. It does well in ordinarily good soil, does not require any more attention than the common Hydrangea and seems equally as hardy.

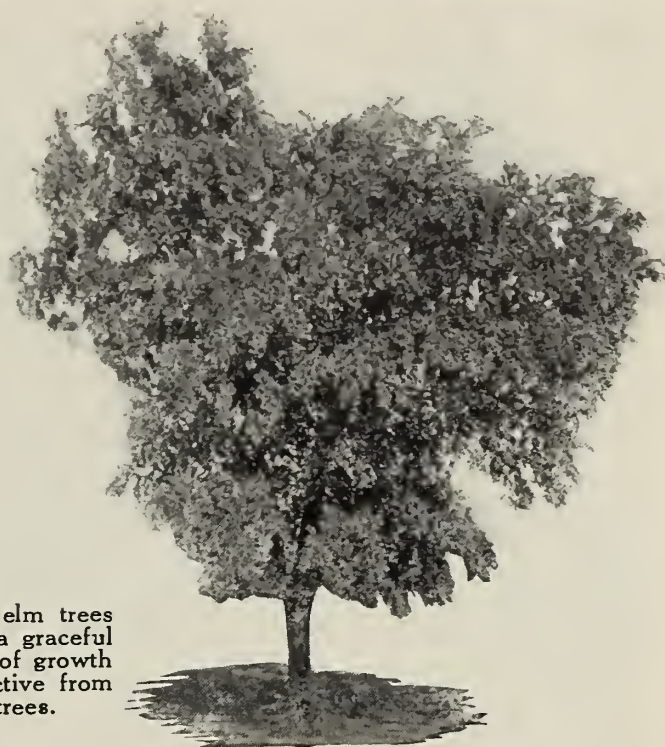
Our stock has the vigor of youth, is thrifty, and so reasonable as to bring it within reach of all.

Place your order **at once**.

	Each	Lots of 10	Per 25
1 to 2 feet . .	25c . .	\$2.00 . .	\$ 3.75
3 to 4 feet . .	50c . .	5.00 . .	10.00



The foliage of this elm is not large and coarse like our native one, and it is also insect-proof.



All elm trees have a graceful habit of growth distinctive from other trees.

A RARE CHINESE ELM

Almost evergreen and of unusual beauty and great ornamental value

EVERYONE will be interested in learning of this charming elm, particularly those who have been disappointed with our native kinds in experiencing the annual visits of the elm beetle, which works such destruction to the foliage. Here is an elm which has foliage which to the beetle is not "toothsome." The leaves are glossy and bright, and of a leathery consistency, wholly unfit for mastication.

The individual leaf is small when compared to that of our native elm, but the tree is so well clothed that it does not suffer in appearance on this account. In fact, the small leaf gives a wonderful, neat, graceful appearance to the tree.

We pride ourselves on having "discovered" this plant, which no nurseryman has yet publicly presented. As for ornamental value this Chinese elm is far in advance of the others for these very reasons.

As will be noticed by the specimen illustrated, the branches have a graceful, half weeping habit which gives a distinctive landscape value. Though slow in growth for an elm, this tree will eventually gain a height of 25 to 30 feet. The foliage is decidedly persistent, in this way extending its period of usefulness into late autumn. In Boston this tree has proved hardy, therefore it may be used in the majority of localities in the United States.

It has taken us some time to get up a stock, but now we have some splendid trees. Supply is limited, however, and we do not know where other stock is to be had. Tell us to send you some. Our trees have been staked and several times transplanted.

4 to 5 feet,	\$1.00 each,	five for \$	5.00
5 to 6 feet,	2.00	" " "	10.00
6 to 8 feet,	2.50	" " "	11.50
8 to 10 feet,	3.00	" " "	13.75
10 to 12 feet,	4.00	" " "	17.50



A good beech hedge is certainly a prized possession.

A BEECH HEDGE

FOR ENGLISH GARDEN EFFECTS

FOR years we have struggled to meet a persistent demand for suitable beech trees for hedge work.

At last our hopes are realized in magnificent stock far beyond all expectations.

Most beech at this height are out of shape for hedge work. These could not be better—tall, slender-built but sturdy, nicely and evenly branched. *Three times transplanted.*

Set them 15 inches apart and prune back to even height, and you'll have a valuable hedge at the start and to enhance with age.

Fine plants 3½ to 5 feet, \$5.00 per ten,
\$50.00 per hundred



5 ORNAMENTAL SHADE AND AVENUE TREES

Selected to combine every merit and adaptability

THIS treatment of a commonplace subject may surprise you, but it well illustrates our purpose to be definitely helpful to our thousands of customers scattered in all parts. They depend on us as experienced men to tell them—not just what trees they can get, but what is best for them to use for a given purpose.

From the following abridged list of available trees, whoever and wherever you are, you can get splendid satisfaction.

For light soil the Ash and Coffee trees are better than the rest—that is one reason they are excellent seashore trees.

In heavy soil, give preference to Norway Maple and Horse Chestnut.

All are exceedingly hardy. Cedrela and Ash like a cool, temperate climate.

As flowering trees Horse Chestnut and Cedrela are charming.

In form nothing surpasses the beauty of the Norway Maple; though each in its way, under full development, is perfectly attractive.

1—Double White Horse Chestnut. Every visitor to the Old Country in spring returns inspired by the exquisite beauty and effectiveness of this Horse Chestnut. The double flowers last longer than single in this tree and are preferred. A good, cool climate, heavy soil tree. Our stock is unusually fine, every plant budded, imported stock transplanted and acclimated on our nurseries. Fine trees.

1½ to 2 inch diameter \$2.75 each

2 to 2½ inch diameter 3.50 each

Larger specimens . . \$4.00, \$5.00 and 6.00 each

2—Chinese Cedrela. Very free, rapid growth, but quite durable, and of fine proportions. Foliage tropical in effect. Flowers in modest display, in long pendulous racemes. A rare tree raised and offered exclusively by us. Grows with great ease. Very thrifty trees.

6 to 8 feet \$1.00 each, ten for \$ 6.00

8 to 10 feet 1.50 each, ten for 8.00

10 to 12 feet 2.00 each, ten for 15.00

12 to 14 feet 2.50 each, ten for 20.00

3—Norway Maple. Too well-known to require description. Most beautiful of all maples. Round, compact head that seldom requires pruning. A little slow in growth at first, but soon assumes splendid proportions.

1½ to 1¾ inch diameter \$2.00 each

1¾ to 2 inch diameter 2.50 each

2 to 2½ inch diameter 3.00 each

4—Kentucky Coffee. Of rather singular proportions in its younger stages, it develops rapidly into a large, free, open growth. Compound leaves like the locust but with no objectionable features. Large flat seed pods adorn the tree. One of the most successful seashore trees.

5 to 6 feet \$1.00 each

1½ to 2 inch diameter 2.00 each

2 to 2½ inch diameter 2.50 each

5—American Ash. Grows rapidly into a handsome medium-size tree. Planted extensively in the Central and Northern States. The English Ash has smaller leaves and makes a round headed tree.

AMERICAN ASH

1 to 1½ inch diameter \$1.25 each

1½ to 2 inch diameter 2.00 each

2 to 2½ inch diameter 3.00 each

ENGLISH ASH

1½ to 2 inch diameter \$1.50 each

2 to 2½ inch diameter 2.25 each

2½ to 3 inch diameter 3.00 each

The Butterfly Plant

(Asclepias tuberosa)

A garden flower for everyone.

Thrives in poor, sandy soil, as well as in rich.

Flowers brilliant orange red and long-lasting—very showy.

Grows to a height of one and a half feet.

Five!strong roots 60 cents

25 for \$2.50

Meehans' Peerless Grass Seed

Meehans' Peerless Grass Seed is a rare combination of many varieties of the highest value and quality. These are mixed in the proper proportions, the private formula being the result of our own experience of many years. The demands upon the Landscape Department made the pressing need of such a mixture very apparent. This department has used hundreds of bushels on its many operations, with marked success.

The bushel is a liberal one—20 pounds—and the price is reasonable. Spread from three to five bushels to an acre. Scratch bare places in the lawn with a sharp-toothed rake, scatter the seed plentifully, then roll it.

1 quart \$.25

1 quart, postpaid30

1 bushel (20 pounds) 5.50

5 bushel lots, per bushel 5.25

10 bushel lots, per bushel 5.00

Quantity Required: One quart for 300 square feet; 1 acre requires 3 to 5 bushels.



Meehans' New Improved Variegated-leaved Althaea

(*Hibiscus Syriacus Meehani*)

A WONDERFULLY beautiful Rose of Sharon, with brightly variegated foliage. Our new variety flowers profusely. From late July and early August until September Meehans' Althaea bears quantities of large, single blossoms of a soft satiny-lavender, a most pleasing shade.

The variegation is neat and attractive, without the sickly look some variegated plants have.

As a hedge plant. A hundred-yard hedge was planted along the side of our Germantown nurseries, where it has attracted marked favor from everyone.

Of upright growth, it is specially adapted to hedge work.

A bit of history. Almost every plant had to be raised by root-grafting, an expensive method but for our faith in growing a very large lot to reduce cost. We have produced an unusually fine, bushy plant that may be planted as a single specimen, in groups, or a hedge with immediate results.

Set fifteen inches apart.

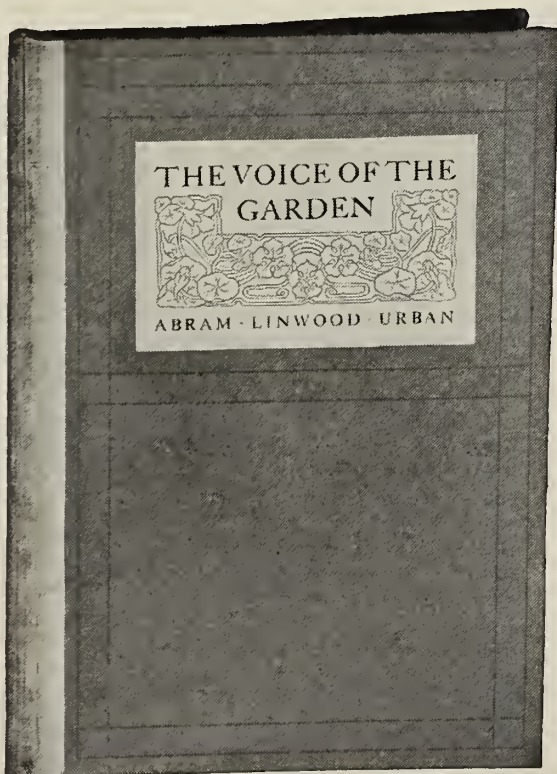
Price for Hedge or Shrubberies	{	2 to 3 ft., bushy	35c each, \$13.50 per 100
		3 to 4 ft., "	50c " 16.50 "
		4 to 5 ft., "	75c " 20.00 "

25 plants sold at rate per 100

A LOVELY SHRUB AND FLOWERING HEDGE



Can a more beautiful hedge than Rose of Sharon be imagined?



A halftone of the cover design (much reduced) is shown in the illustration.
The original is printed in three colors.

Publishers' First Offer

"The Voice of the Garden"

BY ABRAM LINWOOD URBAN

Limited Author's Edition

"THE VOICE OF THE GARDEN" is a book that every lover of nature, every landscape architect, every practical gardener, and every lover of good books will desire to possess.

It is written in five parts. These are the headings to the sub-divisions:

<i>The Garden</i>	<i>Art in the Garden</i>
<i>Sentiment in the Garden</i>	<i>Voices in the Garden</i>
<i>Out from the Garden</i>	

The book has four illustrations which are from actual photographs of part of the author's own home garden. These bear the legends:

<i>Into the Garden</i>	<i>Roses and Hollyhocks</i>
<i>In the Rock Garden</i>	<i>A Group of Favorites</i>

Price of Author's Edition, \$1.30 postpaid

Thomas Meehan & Sons, Publishers, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.



These bright, attractive Hardy Chrysanthemums will always remain essential to a well-schemed hardy garden or border.

Hardiest of Hardy Chrysanthemums

Meehans have been and still are leaders in the production and selection of Hardy Chrysanthemums

OUT of over 150 varieties tested in the past fifteen years we have boiled the list down to 45. These are so fine and distinct, much as we dislike a long list, we could not part with one.

There are all colors, and also all forms—single, anemone-flowered, quilled, fringed, buttons, variegations—we watch for artistic qualities.

Full list on application. Plants ready after April 15, 1913. *Order now.*

THE BIG SIX GROUP—HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS

SOUER MELAINE—fine white.

MAY SUYDAM—rich bronze, fine form.

A. NEILSON—wine color, narrow artistic petals.

**FIVE OF EACH
\$3.00
30 IN ALL**

GOLDEN MLE. MARTHA—golden yellow.

JULIA LAGRAVERE—velvety red.

FREMY—rare, terra cotta, fringed.

BIG APPLE TREES

BEST EARLY VARIETIES

YEARS ago one of our good customers bought some extra large apple trees from a splendid block we then had. They were so satisfactory he has called for more almost annually. But they are not often had.

Now we have just two fine early varieties in extra size, three-year old trees. As clean and pretty trees as we ever saw.

1—RED ASTRACHAN is one of the best-known and adaptable varieties in use. In practically every apple region it is a marked success. Splendid cooking apple, as well as for hand-eating.

Did you ever get the inspiration of an *apple tree in full bloom*? The Astrachan is one of the loveliest in flower.

2—RED JUNE is less known because of peculiar adaptability to the Southern and Middle States. Is a fine grower, abundant bearer, and produces a delicious sweet apple.

Extra fine trees, \$1.00 each

Not more than ten trees to one buyer

Best Peaches for Home Garden

**KINDS THAT WILL THRIVE ANYWHERE
PEACHES WILL GROW.
SURE AND REGULAR BEARERS**

EVERYONE would enjoy the luxury and convenience of a little fruit in his garden—if for no other reason than to pet the sentiment that hallows youthful days—but there are doubts as to success and wise selection.

Our "Best Three" peaches make the path easy. You can't make a mistake. Free yourself from the inconvenience and dependence on markets; these are easily grown, bear soon, and are sure to give you joy.

Carman (early)

Elberta (medium)

Crawford's Late (late)

Best Three Peaches. All free-stone. Our trees are the biggest grown anywhere—no whips. Prune them hard and get good results.

35 cents each

Three for \$1.00. Two Dozen for \$4.50



Our Fruit Department only handles the best, well-tested varieties, and largest grades. Send for full list.



The Artistic Touch in Planting

COLOR VALUES IN FOLIAGE,
FRUIT AND BARK

GREEN is the normal acceptable color in the vegetable world; we oppose any natural planting that makes another color dominant. But just as the sun's rays produce lights and shadows, and its rising and setting lights tint the objects on which they rest; as the atmospheric conditions cast a purple hue, or the blue sky unconsciously produces its reflection in the things of earth, so may the artistic hand of man assemble nature's gems to form a beautiful color picture.

The color value in flowers everyone appreciates, but the same in ornamental fruits and in foliage is less known and used. As a rule there is more garishness in floral colors than could be found in fruits and foliage, which are modestly tinted and displayed.

Four Dwarf Shrubs with Ornamental Fruits

Use these in masses in the foreground of shrubbery borders or banked around base of house.

Callicarpa Japonica. Densely laden with clusters of small lavender-purple berries—a remarkable hue. 50 cents.

White Snowberry. A charming dwarf shrub plentifully sprinkled with large white fruit. Combines in habit and growth great artistic qualities. 35 cents.

Indian Currant (*Symphoricarpos vulgaris*). Clusters of small, dark-red berries in long, drooping sprays. 35 cents.

Japanese Barberry. Well-known for its brilliant scarlet berries which last all winter. 35 cents.

DWARF BERRY-SHRUB COLLECTION

40 strong plants, in four varieties, 1½ to 4 feet, for \$8.50

Five Large Shrubs with Ornamental Fruit

Useful anywhere a medium to large shrub will go, in groups or singly, or as background or screen.

Washington Thorn (*Crataegus cordata*). An American Hawthorn. Branches filled with red berries; are a sight long remembered. Neat foliage; habit of growth rather tree-like.

European Spindle Tree (*Euonymus*). A curious combination—an orange red berry in a dark red, oddly-angled husk. Very ornamental. Plant has upright growth, and stems of a distinctive green shade.



The pure white, fleshy berries of the Snowberry are shown in the autumn and early winter. Plant with them the Indian Currant and get contrast in color.

High-Bush Cranberry (*Viburnum oxycoccos*). Large, free growth. Cranberry-like fruit in clusters give a remarkable dash of color to a planting.

European Barberry (*Berberis vulgaris*). Distinct from the Japanese. Dark red elongated berries in grape-like clusters. Upright habit of growth.

Viburnum Wrightii. Belongs to Snowball family. Clusters of red berries that show off well among dark foliage. A good bushy shrub.

BIG BERRY-SHRUB COLLECTION

20 fine plants, the five varieties, 3 to 6 ft., \$10.00 (worth \$15)

Red-Stem Dogwood. An invaluable shrub, stems green in summer, but bright red in winter. Grows bushy and 4 to 5 feet high. Bushy plants 3 to 4 feet, 50 cents each, lots of ten for \$3.50, twenty-five for \$6.25.

Rich Color Tones in Evergreens

Effective color combinations in evergreens are innumerable, and selections must be made to suit the individual situation.

Evergreen beds in color are rich and always inspiring. For such, use assorted Junipers, Retinisporas, Arbor-vitae and Box Bush. An occasional Colorado Blue Spruce or Yew is welcome.

As solitaires or small groups on a lawn, a good colored evergreen is a handsome thing. For example, Retinispora plumosa aurea, Golden Japanese Cedar, Concolor Fir, Retinispora squarrosa, the Silver Cedar.

Good greens are of equal importance—Siberian Arbor-vitae, Retinispora plumosa, etc. A few suggestions:

Golden Plume Cedar (*Retinispora plumosa aurea*). Magnificent specimens.

3½ to 4 feet . \$4.00 each | 5 to 6 feet . \$6.50 each

4½ to 5 feet . 5.00 each | 6 to 7 feet . 8.00 each

Silver Cedar (*Retinispora squarrosa*).

Large specimens { 5 to 6 ft., \$6.00 each

{ 6 to 7 ft., 8.00 each

Siberian Arbor-vitae. Dark green. Moderate size. Very useful in beds. Heavy plants.

2½ to 3 feet . \$2.25 each | 3½ to 4 feet . \$3.50 each

3 to 3½ feet . 3.00 each

Colorado Blue Spruce. Considered the choicest of specimen evergreens. An unusually fine stock of shapely plants.

2 to 2½ feet . \$4.00 each | 2½ to 3 feet . \$5.00 each

Blue Virginian Cedar. A popular variety and justly so.

2 to 3 feet . \$2.50 each | 4½ to 5 feet . \$4.50 each

3½ to 4 feet . 3.50 each



These bright red berries are wonderfully showy, especially in late summer and autumn. *Viburnum opulus* or High Bush Cranberry.



Nestling among plants, softened by the hand of nature, could a house look more homelike or cozy?

PICTURES WITH NATURE'S OWN COLORS

THERE is poetry in the thought of the beautiful spread of lawn, in trees, shrubs and flowers. Inspiration comes to all of us in the contemplation of this subject. We all wish, at once, to be artists, and all of us no doubt at some time or other have made our attempts to create pictures in nature. But sadly, so often with the same results as when a child makes daubs with water-color, we strive after something that we feel ought to be, but arrive, with all the effort, at nothing approaching our ideals. Often the effect is deplorable.

To be a true landscape gardener one must have the power of an artist to paint beautiful poems in colors properly graduated, and more. He must have had association with the natural subjects which he handles. He cannot place them on his palette as they are, and apply them as fixed parts of the scheme. He must handle them as the subtle means of building his picture; this for flower at one season; that for berry at another; these trees to swell the contour at this spot; others to constrict it somewhere else; foliage of lacey texture here in contrast to more rugged leafage nearby. There are no limits to the refinements to which he carries such subjects. His work is truly an art.

MEEHAN SERVICE IS CO-OPERATIVE WITH NATURE

SUCCESSFUL home life demands that element of soul-inspiration which only Nature at her best can yield.

The Meehan organization is composed of Nature-lovers—practical men, yet artists of their profession. You will get advice not incongruous and incompatible with common sense. At every point this service rings true and of the best and the actual value of such is incomparable with any other medium of assistance.

This is a special service to the owner of a new and undeveloped property or piece of ground of an acre or less in extent—even to solitary beds or borders of small size.

The benefit of professional service of the highest order, without its usual out-of-reach costs, is given the inexperienced and puzzled layman.

It saves time, thought and, above all, costly mistakes, when you claim the assistance of those who *know*, and assures harmony in the artistic and practical planting of the grounds.

Meehan knows your problem and how to met them. If you want to know why, read "A Visit to the Meehan Nurseries."

The New Meehan-Plan for Lawn and Garden Planting

ADDITIONAL plans have been perfected by which we are able to give still larger and better assistance to our friends who are interested in plants and the planting of their home grounds.

No condition is too great or too intricate, and none too small or trifling but we can analyze it, and be of real, practical service.



Careful study demands time. Write now for "New Property Data Form," or state your problems in writing.

THOMAS MEEHAN & SONS
Nursery Department
Germantown, Philadelphia



An entrance may be made or marred by the planting surrounding it. The pleasing results possible are to be seen in this illustration.

HOW PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE GARDENING SERVICE MAY BE SECURED

ENTIRELY distinct and separately organized is the Landscape Department, headed by J. Franklin Meehan, the details of which are too extensive to be rehearsed here.

This is a self-supporting, professional business, working independently of and uninfluenced by the Nursery Department.

While this separation of working forces is positive, the valuable relationship exists in its being under one firm, and where the customer wishes

to put all in our hands, to plan and plant, it becomes a most satisfactory and economical proposition. Owners of small properties may secure the same professional assistance through the Nursery Department, the entire cost being based on a purchase of the necessary stock.

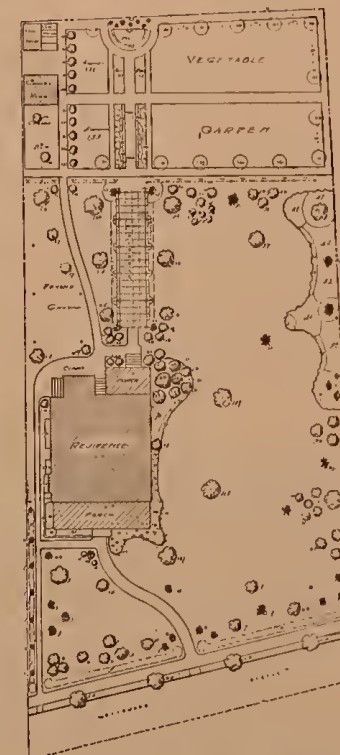
OUR PROPOSITION TO YOU IS THIS

FOR properties one acre and under, or for any small questions of general planting, ask for a "New Property Data Form," on which you return to us information and rough diagram of your place.

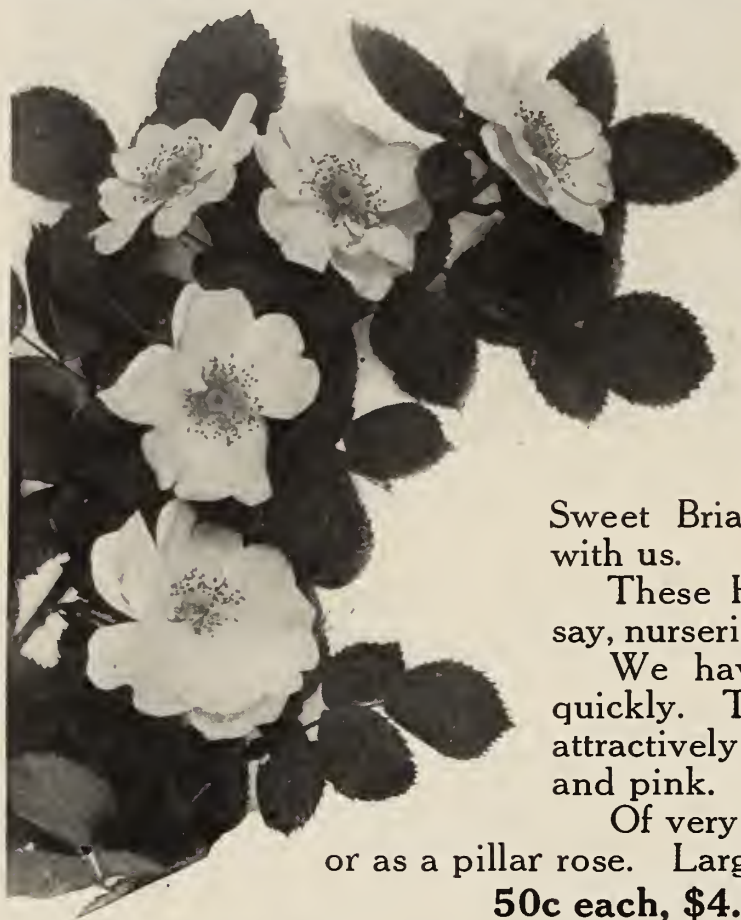
Without obligations to you we have the Landscape Department make a preliminary study and outline suggesting a general planting scheme—the picture to be worked out.

On your approval and return of preliminary, we draw up a list of stock in detail and submit it with estimate.

For properties over one acre or with intricate problems, deal directly and professionally with the Landscape Department, at Mt. Airy, Pa.



A planting scheme or plan showing clearly just what planting is recommended, and with the list of plants or "key" as we term it, the uninitiated becomes at once conversant with the recommendations made.



Fragrant-leaved Penzance Sweet Briar Roses

THE very name carries a mixture of associations that will appeal to every one.

Historically the Penzance roses have an attractive interest; while the sensitive memory of fragrant odors cast from the

Sweet Briar foliage on dewy mornings ever lingers with us.

These Hybrids are not strictly new, but strange to say, nurseries have been unable to readily produce them.

We have just 500 strong roots, and these will go quickly. The colors of the different varieties—very attractively named—are crimson, blush, copper, fawn and pink. Flowers single and semi-double.

Of very strong growth, may be grown as a large bush or as a pillar rose. Large pot-grown plants, ready after April 15th.

50c each, \$4.00 per ten, \$35.00 per hundred

A Higher Quality in Roses

Own-Root, Large, Pot-grown.

ELSEWHERE offers of cheap, field-grown or small-pot plants have frequently tempted us to handle them too, but experience and satisfaction with our large own-root, pot-grown stock have convinced us that the best alone is the best for us and our patrons.

Own-root plants do not "sucker" and deceive the owner. Pot-grown plants are full of life and vigor to grow right on unchecked. Ours are *big* pots. *The best tested* varieties, 5 and 6 inch pots. Ready in late spring.

HARDY JUNE ROSES

Here is the cream of the best known June or hybrid perpetual roses.

Frau Karl Druschki. New, double white. Beautiful.

General Jacqueminot. Old-fashioned, double, red.

Magna Charta. Extra large, deep pink. Fragrant.

Ulrich Brunner. Double cherry red. Brilliant.

MONTHLY ROSES

These are the popular roses—those which flower from June until frost. An abundance of bloom will come from these big plants of ours.

Clothilde Soupert. Flesh pink. Profuse bloomer.

Gruss an Teplitz. Intense scarlet. Fragrant.

Hermosa. Old-fashioned, double pink.

La France. The well-known, fragrant, pink bud rose.

Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. Pure white, delicately shaded lemon yellow.

Killarney. New pink rose of great merit.



5 and 6 inch pots, strong plants, 50 cents each

Ten plants for \$5.00

Twenty-five, any assortment, \$10.00



Decorative Vines

OF RAPID GROWTH

THE rapid growth is secured specially in our pot-grown stock. Again Meehan is originator of this advanced way of handling practically all vines.

The roots of pot-grown plants are undisturbed in transplanting, and under right conditions forge rapidly ahead. We've been handling them this way successfully for ten years past.

DISTINCTIVE VINES FOR EVERY PURPOSE

We grow all kinds but don't list them here—just a few that are particularly suggestive.

All pot-grown vines **50c** each, except as noted. Quantity rates on application.



An uncommon decorative value in the Rose.

Rare Golden Trumpet Vine. A clear, apricot yellow. Not yet in the trade. Every plant grafted. 5 pot-grown plants, **\$2.00**.

Sweet-scented Grape. Delightful and effective on a pergola or old tree. 5 pot-grown plants for **\$2.00**.

Akebia. Rare but well tested Chinese vine of rapid growth. Neat and distinctive foliage. Fragrant flowers in early spring. For porch and pergola. 5 pot-grown plants for **\$2.00**.

Dutchman's Pipe. Large, bold leaves. Very effective. 5 pot-grown plants, **\$2.50**.

Japanese Kudzu. Most rapid growing perennial vine. "A foot a day." For porch or pergola. 5 pot-grown plants for **\$2.00**.

Variegated Vitis. Loveliest combina-

tion in soft red growth, leaves daintily varie-

gated. Rapid growth like an ivy. For pergola and porch. 5 pot-grown plants, **\$1.75**.

Running Roses. All the best varieties. Fine plants.

Ivy. Japanese and English; Virginia Creeper. Pot-grown plants of any one kind, **\$3.50** per 10; **\$25.00** per 100.

Clematis. Wild Virgins Bower, Paniculata, and large-flowering Hybrids.

Price each, except where noted, fine pot-grown plants, **50 cents**.



One season's growth from a potted plant from our stock.



Fragrant White Clematis.



Note the effectiveness of these formal Box Plants used in the vases along this terrace. This is the most attractive and dependable hardy evergreen for every purpose.

Specimen Plants for Formal Gardens, Terraces, etc.

FOR your convenience we bring together here a few plants that specially meet a need for plants for formal gardens and terraces.

Adjectives innumerable might be used in description, but it is sufficient to say that they are perfect plants in each kind, and ready for immediate effect.

The list is not expected to be complete, and is merely suggestive. Further information on call—or, come see them.

Standards: The term standard is synonymous with “tree-form.” Each such plant has a clean stem unbranched up to a given height. This stem then branches into a “head,” more or less uniform and compact according to kinds.



This shows you the dwarf, compact habit of the beautiful Globe Norway Maple.

Flowering Standards

Wistaria, 3 to 4 feet stems, fine	each \$ 5.00
Tree Roses, best varieties, pot-grown	each 1.50
	per ten 10.00
Hardy Hydrangea, early flowering, 3½ feet stems, each	1.00

Small-tree Standards

Globe Norway Maple, 3 to 4 feet and 4 to 6 feet stems	each \$3.50 and \$5.00
Tea's Weeping Mulberry, 3½ feet stems	each 1.75
5 feet stems, 4-year heads, each	3.00
Japanese Maple—Blood leaf, Green fern leaf, Red fern leaf—2½ to 3 feet stems, 4 to 6 feet over all	each \$5.00 and \$6.00
Catalpa Bungei, 4½ to 5½ feet stems	each 2.50
(See also Old-fashioned Box)	

Old-fashioned Box Plants

Standard Box, 2 feet stems, 20 inch head, big plants	each \$7.50
Berliner Balls (short standards, for terrace work, new), one foot stem, 10 to 12 inch head, each	2.00



The rapid growth and large heads of the Catalpa make it invaluable.

Pyramid Box , 3 to 3½ feet	each	\$ 3.50
4 to 4½ feet	each	4.50
Bush-form Box (hedge at once), 1½ to 2 feet . .	each	1.50
	per ten	10.00
	per one hundred	75.00
Box Edging , 4 to 6 inches	per one hundred	7.50
6 to 8 inches	per one hundred	10.00

Hedges

Beech , 4½ to 5½ feet . .	per 100	\$50.00
California Privet , extra heavy plants for immediate effect, 3 to 4 feet	per hundred	15.00
4 to 5 feet	per hundred	20.00

Useful Specimen Evergreens

Blue Cedar (<i>Juniperus Virginiana glauca</i>), a lovely color, growth erect and exceedingly hardy,		
2 to 3 feet	each	\$ 2.50
3 to 4 feet	each	3.25
Lee's Golden Cedar (<i>Juniperus Virginiana Elegantissima</i>),		
2½ to 3 feet	each	2.50
3 to 3½ feet	each	3.00
Schott's Cedar , erect growth. 3 to 3½ feet . . .	each	3.00
4 to 5 feet	each	4.00
5 to 6 feet	each	6.00

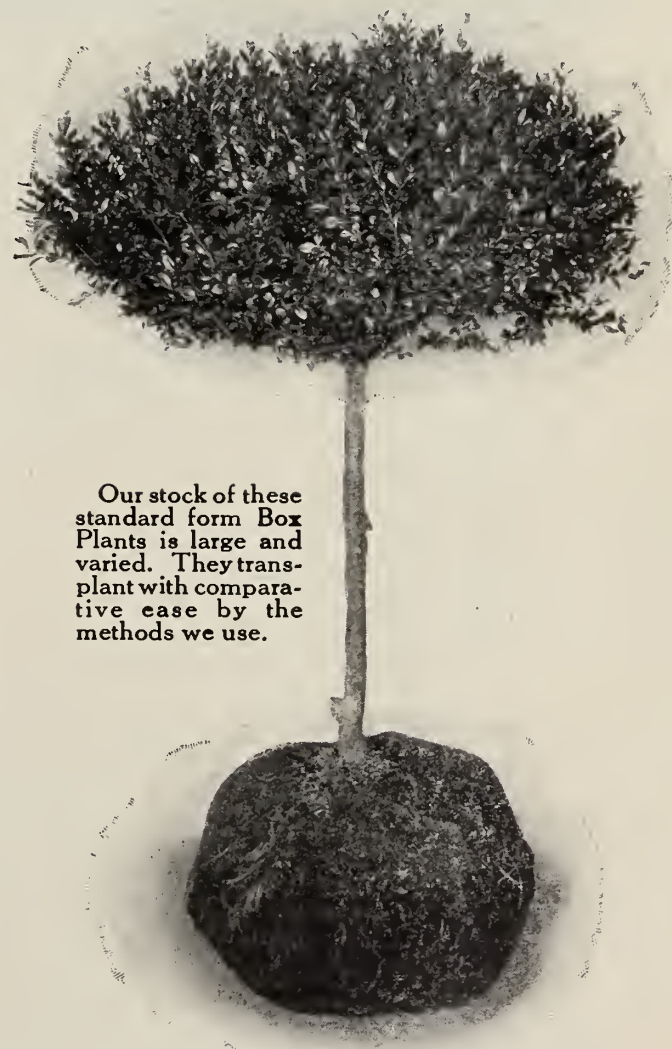
Vines for Pergola and Archway

Roses , Dorothy Perkins and Lady Gay, pink; Alberic Barbier, white; Penzance Sweet Briar, American Pillar. Best pot-grown plants	each	\$.50
Kudzu Vine , most rapid growth; Variegated Ornamental Grape (<i>Vitis heterophylla variegata</i>); Fragrant Flowering Grape (<i>Vitis riparia</i>); Akebia , fragrant early flowers; Honeysuckle , assorted. Best pot-grown plants	each	.50
Dutchman's Pipe , big vines	each	1.00
Clematis <i>Paniculata</i> and large Hybrid Clematis , white, purple, lavender and red	each	.50
Wistaria , purple and white	each	50c, 75c and \$1.00

Columnar Trees

For use as pillars, high wall or screen.

Lombardy Poplars , 8 to 10 feet	each	\$.75
	per ten	6.00
Bolleana Poplars , 1¼ to 1½ inch diameter . . .	each	1.50
	per ten	7.00
1¾ to 2 inch diameter	each	2.00
	per ten	15.00



Our stock of these standard form Box Plants is large and varied. They transplant with comparative ease by the methods we use.



Scene in old Chester, England. The background shows part of the old city wall, so famed and interesting. The leafless English Elm shows the rugged lines of this attractive tree.

RARE, HISTORIC ENGLISH ELMS Now offered for the first time to the American public

Added to the many attractions of the English Elm as a beautiful, compact tree, is the human interest of such historic associations as the following :

Quantity

- 8 Tower of London
- 13 Junior School—Cheltenham College
- 11 Lichfield—Home of Samuel Johnson
- 8 Blantyre, Scotland—Home of David Livingstone
- 6 Churchyard at Keswick—where Southey is buried
- 11 Balmoral Castle
- 8 Loch Lomond
- 6 Melrose Abbey
- 7 Holyrood Palace—Edinburgh
- 4 Edinburgh Castle
- 2 Field of Sanshieburn—Stirling
- 1 Stirling Castle—Douglas Gardens
- 10 Battlefield—Stirling Bridge
- 6 Ayr—Home of Burns
- 1 Hawarden—Estate of Gladstone
- 8 Westminster Palace Gardens—Birthplace of Queen Victoria
- 3 Cambridge University—Grounds of St. John's College
- 3 Twickenham—Home of Pope
- 4 Oxford—Addison's Walk at Magdalene College

Quantity

- 4 Oxford—near Monument of Three Martyrs
- 5 Eton College—Poet's Walk
- 6 Bedford—Birthplace of John Bunyan
- 3 Stratford—Churchyard of Church where Shakespeare is buried
- 3 Elston Great Tree—Home of Bunyan
- 4 Eton College—Playground
- 2 Waverly Abbey—near Haslemere
- 3 Rugby School—near "The Island"
- 3 Haslemere Old Ruins
- 11 Cambridge University—Trinity College
- 2 Henley-on-Thames
- 3 Cambridge University—Grounds of Kings College
- 10 Ely Cathedral
- 9 Sandringham—Castle of Prince of Wales
- 3 Windsor Castle—Long Walk
- 6 Harrow School
- 6 Landport—Early Home of Charles Dickens
- 5 Chester—near Old Roman Water Gate

None of these trees are seedlings, but *actual living pieces cut from the famous old trees and grafted on to roots of the common English Elm.*

The first announcement of our offer regarding these trees brought us an astonishing number of orders. One man wanted one of each kind; another wanted all of our stock from Loch Lomond; while a third requested a tree from his father's home town and his college grounds.

Notice that the supply is limited. We are therefore compelled to limit orders to one of a kind to any one person, and orders can only be accepted subject to supply, and will be filled in the rotation received.

In ordering, be sure to indicate your second choice in case the first cannot be filled.

No reduction in price, or concession regardless of number bought. *Ten Dollars each, half cash with order, f. o. b. Germantown.* Trees 8 to 10 feet high.



PEACE DAWN VICTORY FAUST

The Newest and
Finest Gladioli

A DEPENDABLE GROUP OF DAHLIAS AND GLADIOLI

ABOVE THE AVERAGE IN QUALITY

The very finest collection—one that saves you time and anxiety, for it is a "safe" list.

DAHLIAS—These are undivided *field-grown* roots, and far superior to the small potted plants, divided roots and rooted cuttings so frequently sent out.

DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—All of this class have large flowers, double, full to the centre, but open and irregular in formation. Intermediate between Show and Cactus Dahlias.

NEW DECORATIVE

Beauty of Brentwood. Plum, striped maroon, very fine	each .30c
Dr. Gates. Soft bright pink; a new and distinct shade	.35c
Flora. Pure white broad petals	.25c
Jack Rose. A rich shade of crimson	.35c
Le Colosse. A carmine-scarlet	.35c
Miss Minnie McCullough. A very soft yellow, overlaid with bronze	.25c
Miss Nellie Stewart. Has a light center shading to pink at the tip of petals	.25c
Mrs. Winters. Pure snow white	.25c
Sylvia. Large, centre shades to soft pink on outer petals	.25c

DECORATIVE

Clifford W. Bruton. Large, canary yellow	.20c
Henry Patrick. Pure white	.20c
Lyndhurst. Bright scarlet	.20c
Yellow Le Colosse. Bright yellow	.20c

NEW FANCY

Professor Mansfield. Very large golden yellow, tipped white, sometimes tipped red	.35c
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NEW GIANT

Yellow Duke. Very large, pure canary yellow	.35c
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SHOW DAHLIAS—The old-fashioned, full, globular, perfect-formed class.

SHOW

Arabella. Pale primrose	each .20c
Lemon Beauty. Soft shade yellow lemon	.25c
A. D. Livonia. Soft pink	.25c

PAEONY-FLOWERED

Cleopatra. Combination of colors, bright orange red on front of petals on the back bright yellow. Very early	.50c
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DOUBLE CENTURY—Very free-flowering, starting early to bloom and continuing until frost. Excellent for cutting.

Variegated Liszt. Dark red shaded to bronze, each .25c

CACTUS—The most artistic in form of flower, narrow pointed florets.

CACTUS

Comrade. Fawn-color, shaded to pink at the tips of petals	each .30c
Floradora. Dark velvety crimson	.25c
General Buller. Fancy cactus dahlia, deep rich velvety maroon, tipped white	.20c
Kreimhilde. Fresh delicate pink, shading to deep rose-pink	.20c
Mrs. H. Jones. Fancy cactus dahlia, deep crimson, broad stripe of white running through the centre of the petal	.25c
Victor Von Scheffel. Fresh delicate pink, shading to deep rose-pink	.25c

QUANTITY	Price, per ten, in any assortment . . . \$ 2.00
	Price, per hundred, in any assortment 15.00
	Not less than 10 at the 10 rate or 50 at the 100 rate

Dahlia Gold Medal Collection \$3.75

This includes the greatest possible diversity of form and color in the newest and best varieties.

NEW DECORATIVE

3 Jack Rose
2 Miss Minnie McCullough
2 Miss Nellie Stewart
2 Mrs. Winters

SHOW DAHLIAS

3 A. D. Livonia
2 Arabella

PAEONY FLOWERED

1 Cleopatra

CACTUS DAHLIAS

2 Comrade
3 Floradora
3 Kreimhilde

NEW FANCY

1 Prof. Mansfield

NEW GIANT

1 Yellow Duke



Dotted here and there among the other plants, the sprays of Gladioli flowers are decidedly bright and cheering in late summer.



NEW GLADIOLI

A quartet of the finest new Gladiolus in existence. These beautiful summer-flowering plants should be in every yard, large or small. So inexpensive and yet so beautiful, they are practical to use everywhere.

PEACE—The grandest white variety in the world. New, distinct and of massive proportions. It has wonderful vitality. 30c each, \$2.50 per ten.

DAWN—A lovely delicate salmon with small claret-colored stain on inferior petals. Large flowers. \$1.00 each, \$7.50 per ten.

VICTORY—Delicate sulphur-yellow, lower petals shaded deeper. The best yellow Gladiolus in existence. 25c each, \$2.00 per ten.

FAUST—Large deep velvety crimson, with exquisite shading of white on lower petals. 75c each, \$6.00 per ten.

GLADIOLI OF KNOWN MERIT

You need not question the following. They are the cream of the best strains and cover all the shades from white to deep crimson.

SILVER TROPHY STRAINS

Group No. 1—Scarlet Shades. Newest reds, scarlets, and crimson. Wonderfully bright and showy. \$3.00 per hundred.

Group No. 2—Light Shades. All shades of cream and yellow, including white. Many beautiful combinations relieved by dashes of rich color. \$4.00 per hundred.

GROFF'S ORIGINAL HYBRIDS

The amateur can secure great satisfaction from these hybrids. They are the original introductions of Mr. Groff, and certain shades from pure white to the darkest red and crimson. Flowers are large, well formed, and properly arranged upon the spikes. \$1.50 per hundred, \$12.00 per thousand.



Unless you are the fortunate possessor of a border of well-assorted perennials, you cannot appreciate the great amount of pleasure to be had from one. A ready bouquet at all times.

Meehans' Old-fashioned Hardy Garden Selections

SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY

YOUR home grounds are incomplete without hardy garden plants, but perhaps you can't be bothered with making the selection or with the care of plants not easily handled. The "Hardy Gardens" we offer make the way easy. They are just such plants as we would choose for our own home grounds—not a fanciful selection, or nursery surplusage, or unsalable bulbs.

Read what this man voluntarily said about one we sent him:

"I feel that I have been very remiss in not telling you of my very great satisfaction and success with your \$5.00 perennial collection last year. They were sent to my country place last March, and left (carelessly heeled in) till April 27. Every one thrived and bloomed. I never saw anything so beautiful as the Columbines. I shall probably send another such order this year."

H. M. S., New York.

Do maintain a little of the good, old-fashioned regard for the door-yard flowers. They have associations innumerable, and there is an ever-changing but undying charm in the daily garden stroll that greets each new flower as it appears.

Unlike annuals, these perennials do not all flower at one time and keep it up all summer—we are happy to say, *no!* Their charm lies in "something" new every week; this for a spring opening, that to follow on, and still another for later weeks, and so on till hardy Chrysanthemums blend their lovely tones with all the autumn glories.

Meehans' Hardy Gardens are an established thing

We've been making them up for years, and still doing it because they give results. Made up of best stock, and at less price than separately purchased; a selection that combines well and does well everywhere; good varieties for cutting.



GERMANTOWN, PHILA., PA.



Hardy Garden No. 5 50 Plants \$5.00.

Will plant an area about
100 to 125 square feet

Key No.

- 1 1 Achillea "The Pearl." Double White Yarrow.
- 2 2 Agrostemma coronaria. Mullein Pink.
- 3 2 Anemone Japonica. Japanese Anemone.
- 4 3 Armeria maritima. Thrift.
- 5 2 Aster Novae Angliae. New England Aster.
- 6 1 Bocconia cordata. Plume Poppy.
- 7 2 Chrysanthemum. Hardy Old-Fashioned Chrysanthemum.
- 8 2 Coreopsis grandiflora. Coreopsis.
- 9 3 Delphinium hybridum. Tall Larkspur.
- 10 3 Dianthus Her Majesty. White Garden Pink.
- 11 3 Dianthus Lord Lyons. Rose Colored Garden Pink.
- 12 2 Iris Germanica—white. Garden Flag.

Key No.

- 13 2 Iris Germanica—purple. Garden Flag.
- 14 1 Iris Sibirica orientale. Oriental Iris.
- 15 3 Liatris pycnostachya. Blazing Star.
- 16 1 Helianthus Doronicoides. Hardy Sunflower.
- 17 1 Hemerocallis fulva fl. pl. Double Day Lily.
- 18 1 Mallow Marvel.
- 19 3 Iberis sempervirens. Hardy Candytuft.
- 20 1 Inula Britannica. Elecampane.
- 21 3 Lychnis chalcedonica. Scarlet Lightning.
- 22 1 Lythrum Salicaria. Loosestrife.
- 23 1 Papaver nudicaule. Iceland Poppy.
- 24 2 Phlox Aurora Borealis. Orange Red Phlox.
- 25 2 Phlox Pacha. Deep Pink Phlox.
- 26 2 Pyrethrum roseum.

Hardy Garden No. 10 100 Plants \$10.00.

Will plant an area about
250 to 275 square feet

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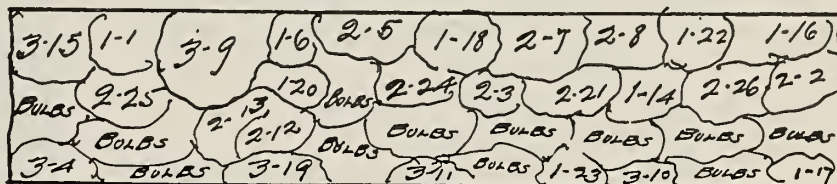
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- 28 2 Phlox Pacha. Deep Pink Phlox.
- 29 2 Phlox Independence. White Phlox.
- 30 3 Pyrethrum roseum.
- 31 4 Sisyrinchium Bermudianum. Star Grass.
- 32 3 Spiraea palmata elegans. Pink Spiraea.
- 33 2 Spiraea ulmaria alba plena. White Spiraea.
- 34 2 Stachys lanata. Bunny's Ears.
- 35 5 Veronica candida. Silver-leaved Speedwell.
- 36 2 Eulalia gracillima. False Pampas Grass.

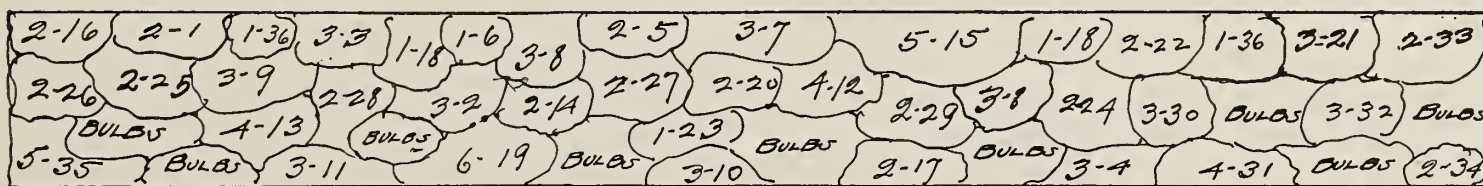
A NEW DEPARTURE

It is easy to arrange these gardens in a border or bed, or to put them here and there in the foreground of a shrubbery bed; but to make everything absolutely clear, we present the following plan which will be very suggestive. If the size of the space to be filled differs, you can with ease slightly readjust the plan to fit.



PLAN
No. 5

The first figure in each group signifies quantity; the second is key number.



PLAN
No. 10

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF BULBS AND ANNUALS

You are pretty sure to want to elaborate a little and satisfy your growing interest. The two plans show places marked "bulbs." You may sow seeds of annuals in these spaces this spring, and plant bulbs there in the fall. Meehans' Hardy Gardens never disappoint; you can order with perfect confidence.

Supplementary Plantings for Hardy Garden (Will supply enough for either garden)

Ten Packets of Hardy Annuals 50 cents

Calendula Prince of Orange
Marguerite Carnations
Cornflowers
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Lupines
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Bulbs for Fall Planting—Order Now

72 Bulbs
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12 Daffodil Emperor
12 Daffodil Empress
12 Jonquil Golden Spur
12 Narcissus Poeticus
12 Daffodil Sir Watkin
12 Narcissus Double White



MEEHANS' "Barren Place" Collection

EVERY property has a difficult problem to solve in some rough, barren place where nothing seems to grow and look well.

Against the house and side porch foundations where overhanging eaves cause a drip, and the foundations excessive drainage; at the foot of or above a stone wall; flanking rough stone steps; among rocks; along driveways and on banks—these are points that are often terrible eyesores.

"What can I get to grow here?" is a common appeal.

The solution we offer may fail in some particular, but if it won't cure nothing will! Try it. It is not planned to produce highly finished landscape gardening effects, but just good things that will grow.

The selection is varied for two reasons. First, variety is pleasing; second, you are experiencing a satisfactory test. Some will do better than others—those you will want more of.

It is a good selection. We know what is good, and what is most likely to thrive. You will find it a dependable list. If you have no place exactly as described, or if the number is more than required, these are all good to fill in your shrubbery borders anywhere.

The "Barren Place" Collection 60 Plants, \$15.00

These all grow from 1 to 3 feet high

- 10 German Iris—2 colors.
- 5 Adam's Needle—Evergreen Yucca.
- 10 Funkia lancifolia—Dwarf. Herbaceous.

The foregoing have broad, sword-like leaves; Funkia makes a good edging. All flower attractively and at separate times.

- 5 Teucrium Canadense.
- 5 Gold Flower—Hypericum.

The two above are especially good among rocks; almost evergreen.

- 5 Holly-leaved Mahonia—bushy, evergreen.
- 3 Yellow Jasmine—free, vine-like growth.

The following are dwarf shrubs with special color effect:

- 3 Verbena Shrubs—Caryopteris.
- 3 Lead Plant—Amorpha canescens.
- 3 Butterfly Weed—Asclepias tuberosa.

This Sedum is a bushy clump, very striking.

- 5 Sedum Rhodiola—"Live-for-Ever."

To ramble, cover ground and rocks, and live most anywhere.

- 3 Coronilla varia—lovely pink flowers.

Preparation of Soil. One essential to success is to give the plants a good start. Dig out the old soil and make a bed of fresh top-soil and well-rotted stable manure.

You don't have to bother about exact quantity, selection or location; you are sure to find place for a lot of plants like this.

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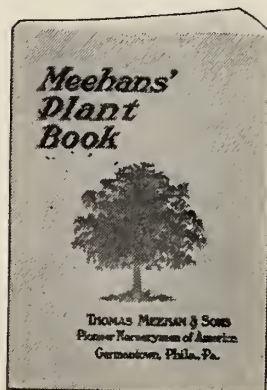
THERE are times to turn from "improvements" and novelties and simply revel in a lot of good old-time things. Don't be satisfied with assortment only—have these things in quantities.

- 24 Everblooming Forget-me-not—perennial.
- 24 Pyrethrum roseum—various colors.
- 24 Scarlet Lightning—Lychnis.
- 24 Gay Feather or Blazing Star—Liatris.
- 24 Thrift—Armeria, two colors.
- 24 Hardy Candytuft—Iberis.
- 24 Silver Speedwell—Veronica.
- 24 Japanese Anemone—
- 24 German Flag—two colors.
- 24 Rose Loose-strife—Lythrum.
- 24 New England Aster—two colors.

**288 plants—24 each, Special Offer
\$25.00**

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Have you a copy of our General Catalogue?

It is descriptive, suggestive and well illustrated with halftones from photographs.

For the use of the home garden owner who is unacquainted with the plants most commonly used in lawn and garden planting. Not an exhaustive treatise on plants, neither does it list all the many things we grow in our nurseries.

Designed to be practically helpful to the amateur.

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Shall we send you a copy?

Ask for "Big Catalogue."



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(Mr. Meehan gives personal testimony)

RASPBERRIES for four months! That's what you can get when you plant St. Regis—the new ever-bearing variety. Moreover, they are not only raspberries, but raspberries of the very highest grade—in size, in brilliant crimson color, in firmness, in flavor.

The variety has been aptly termed “the early 'till late” variety; for it is the first red raspberry to give ripe fruit; while it continues to produce berries without intermission until late in October.

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In addition to the bright crimson color and large size of the fruit, it is so firm and rich in sugar that it will stand shipping two hundred miles, arriving at market in first class order, and it can readily be kept in perfect condition for several days after being gathered. In brief, it is such a marvel as to size, beauty and excellence.

Unlike any other Raspberry, the St. Regis yields a crop of fruit the season it is planted. Plants of it planted in early April gave ripe berries on June 20th of the same year. For four weeks thereafter the yield was heavy and the canes continued to produce ripe fruit without intermission until the middle of October. The berries were large, beautiful, firm and full flavored until the last. Mr. Meehan had them served on his own table weekly till late in the fall, and declared he never ate more delicious raspberries.

Get your share of this wonderful berry at the reasonable prices named.

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THIS grape is a cross between the Catawba and Concord, scientifically made and possesses the merits of both varieties with the defects of neither. It is of high quality, equalling in tenderness of pulp, sweet, luscious flavor and aroma of the renowned Catawba with added sweetness and juiciness. Rich, sparkling light red, with abundant bloom. Bunch large and compact, just like the Catawba. Berry medium to large and nearly round, exactly like Concord. Season early, a little in advance of Concord. Skin thin and tough, much like the Catawba but thinner. Berry adheres firmly to bunch, hence a superior shipper and keeper.

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- 1 Caco
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(*Sysrinchium Bermudianum*)

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Japanese Maple Group No. 7

A duplicate of the lot used in the planting of the group shown in the illustration at the foot of this page.

To arrange them effectively follow numbers beneath illustration, which correspond with the following key-ed list.

Key 1	Quan. 1	Red Fern-leaved Maple . .	2½ to 3 feet
2 . .	1	Golden-leaved Maple . . .	1½ to 2 feet
3 . .	1	Green Fern-leaved Maple . 2	to 2½ feet
4 . .	1	Aconite-leaved Maple . . .	2½ to 3 feet
5 . .	1	Blood-leaved Maple	3 to 4 feet
6 . .	1	Red Pinnate-leaved Maple 3	to 3 feet
7 . .	1	Green Polymorphum Maple 4	to 5 feet

This group in fine well-developed specimens (regular price \$20.00) for \$17.50.



Key to Group No. 7

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